

exemplifying in their walk the doctrines we profess, is worth more than fifty with hundreds on their rolls, immoral, inattentive to Masonic duty, and contemning Masonic requirement."

Orphan Asylums are strongly urged upon the attention of the Craft, and the remarks on this subject are wise and interesting. The desirability of contributing to a worthy monumental shaft to the memory of Washington is urged. We may say that it is no credit to our neighboring republic that the Washington Monument was not long ago completed.

We find two memorial pages to the memory of Bro. C. H. Jordan, Grand Master of North Carolina in 1855, and of Bro. J. H. Separk, Grand Tyler in 1875, both of whom died in 1875.

No. of Lodges, 351. Members, 11,000. Cash received during past year, \$3,256.

Grand Master and Grand Secretary both re-elected.

There is no report on Foreign Correspondence.

OHIO.—1875.

The sixty-sixth Annual Communication was held at Columbus, Ohio, commencing Oct. 19th, 1875. M. W. Asa H. Battin, Grand Master. R. W. John D. Caldwell, Grand Secretary.

The Grand Master's Report is a comprehensive and well written document covering sixteen pages. Dispensations were granted for twelve new Lodges; and five new halls of Lodges, together with three public buildings, were dedicated with masonic ceremonies.

On the prerogative of "Making Masons at Sight," granted to them by the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, the Grand Master says:

"Our laws have fully provided who may become members of the Order, how they shall become such, the length of time they must reside within the jurisdiction of a Lodge before they can petition for initiation, and the proficiency they must manifest before advancing from one degree to another. Nor can any Grand or subordinate Officer, by dispensation, change or modify the course. The law is fixed, well defined, and not to be interfered with or overriden by any one.

"I believe that every Mason should be a member of some subordinate Lodge. I have no faith in unaffiliated Masons. To make a Mason at sight, and turn him loose to roam wildly over the Masonic world, a member of no Lodge, is not according to my ideas of propriety."